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SUBJ: CANCELLATION OF FY 75 ARMY MATERIAL ORIENTATION TOURS (U)

FROM AMBASSADOR

REF: USCINCEUR, ECJ4/7-SAEN, 02175, DTG P242102Z JAN 75

(C) NOTAL)

1. (U) REF A STATES THAT TOUR MAY HAVE TO BE CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF FUNDS. ALTHOUGH COMMENTS ARE NOT SOLICITED FROM THE EMBASSY, I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER THE FOLLOWING.
2. (U) IN SUPPORT OF PARA 2 OF REF A, THE AUSTRIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE (MOD) HAS GONE TO GREAT LENGTHS IN PREPARING FOR SUBJECT TOUR. DELEGATES HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY SCREENED AND SELECTED. NEARLY EVERY PRE-TRIP REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, TO INCLUDE INDIVIDUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND SPECIAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE REFRESHER COURSE ATTENDANCE. THE "SCOPE OF INTEREST" TRANSMITTED BY EARLIER MESSAGE WAS BRIEFED TO AND PERSONALLY APPROVED BY THE MINISTRER OF DEFENSE, LUETGENDORF.
3. (BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL) CANCELLATION OF THE FY 75 ARMY
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MATERIAL ORIENTATION TOUR FOR AUSTRIA AT THIS TIME COULD

PROVE EMBARRASSING TO U.S. AND COULD COMPLICATE EFFORTS
REGARDING SALES OF THE F-5E, OH-58, ETC.

4. (BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL) THEREFORE RECOMMEND NOT
COMPLETELY CANCELLING THE FY 75 ARMY MATERIAL ORIENTATION
TOUR FOR AUSTRIA, BUT IF NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF
ECONOMY, SUGGEST THE TOUR BE REDUCED IN MAGNITUDE AND
SCOPE (END CONFIDENTIAL). HUMES

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